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Amazonella Fouquet et al., 2012 (Anura:Bufonidae) junior homonym of Amazonella Lundblad, 1931 (Acari:Unionicolidae): proposed replacement by Amazophrynella nom. nov.

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The genus *Amazonella* Lundblad, 1931 was originally described for an Amazonian species of water mite (Lundblad 1931: 63). Unaware its existence, Fouquet *et al.* (2012) re-delimited *Dendrophryniscus* Jiménes de la Espada, 1870 a genus of small Neotropical toads on the basis of molecular and morphological data, and proposed *Amazonella* as the name for a clade comprising the Amazonian species (Fouquet *et al.* 2012: 832). *Amazonella* Fouquet *et al.*, 2012 is therefore a junior homonym of *Amazonella* Lundblad, 1931.

Under the provisions of the Article 60 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN 1999) we hereby propose *Amazophrynella* **nom. nov.** as a replacement name for the junior homonym *Amazonella* Fouquet *et al.*, 2012. The new genus-group name is derived from the words Amazonia (the distribution of the included frog species), phryne (φρύνος) meaning toad in Greek and the suffix "-ella", a feminine diminutive particle referring to the small body size of the genus. The type species (*Atelopus minutus*, Melin) and diagnosis remain as given by Fouquet *et al.* (2012).

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